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Applicant : Takuyuki Yamaguchi, et al.  
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THRESHOLD OF A RECEIVED SIGNAL, AND AN OPTICAL  
TRANSMISSION SYSTEM  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Commissioner:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE TITLE

Please delete the present title and insert the following:

--METHOD AND APPARATUS TO DETERMINE A DISCRIMINATION THRESHOLD OF  
A RECEIVED SIGNAL, AND AN OPTICAL TRANSMISSION SYSTEM--.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

After the title please add the following:

-- CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION:

This application claims priority of Japanese patent Application No. 2000-190388, filed on June  
26, 2000.--

REMARKS

In view of the foregoing amendment, consideration and allowance of this application  
is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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